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Subject:

Categorical Exclusion Re-Evaluation

STPU 6735(2)

Four Mile Dr - Kalispell

UPN 8166000 [8166001 and 8166002]

Dear Gene,

Environmental Services has reviewed the above proposed project's impacts and has determined that this proposed project still qualifies as a Categorical Exclusion (CE) under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.129(c). The original CE was signed June 16, 2014 and is attached. This proposed action also continues to qualify as a categorical exclusion under the provisions of ARM 18.2.261 (Sections 75-1-103 and 75-1-201, M.C.A.).

A Project Split Report was approved on January 14, 2015 splitting the project into Segment A and Segment B for construction. The Scope-of-Work for the proposed project has been reviewed and has not changed. As a result of this review, we have reviewed the project reports and found that in accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(a), this action will neither individually or cumulatively, have any significant environmental impacts. This change will not require any permits.

The segments are identified as:

Segment A: Four Mile Drive – West Section, UPN 8166001, Construction Project Number STPU 6735(5) Segment B: Four Mile Drive – East Section, UPN 8166002, Construction Project Number STPU 6735(6).

In accordance with the Federal Highway Administration's concurrence letter of April 15, 1999, this notification documents that this proposed action is still properly classified as a CE under the provisions of 23 CFR 771.117(d).

If you have any questions, please phone Susan Kilcrease at 406.523.5842. She will be pleased to assist you.

Sincerely.

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